

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections
5 3-12, 21B-20, 21B-25, 21B-30, 21B-35, 21B-40, 21B-45, 21B-50,
6 21B-60, 21B-80, 27-9, and 27-17 as follows:

7 (105 ILCS 5/3-12) (from Ch. 122, par. 3-12)

8 Sec. 3-12. Institute fund.

9 (a) All license ~~certificate~~ registration fees and a portion
10 of renewal and duplicate fees shall be kept by the regional
11 superintendent as described in Section 21-16 or 21B-40 of this
12 Code, together with a record of the names of the persons paying
13 them. Such fees shall be deposited into the institute fund and
14 shall be used by the regional superintendent to defray expenses
15 associated with the work of the regional professional
16 development review committees established pursuant to
17 paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of Section 21-14 of this Code
18 to advise the regional superintendent, upon his or her request,
19 and to hear appeals relating to the renewal of teaching
20 licenses ~~certificates~~, in accordance with Section 21-14 of this
21 Code; to defray expenses connected with improving the
22 technology necessary for the efficient processing of licenses
23 ~~certificates~~; to defray all costs associated with the

1 administration of teaching licenses ~~certificates~~; to defray
2 expenses incidental to teachers' institutes, workshops or
3 meetings of a professional nature that are designed to promote
4 the professional growth of teachers or for the purpose of
5 defraying the expense of any general or special meeting of
6 teachers or school personnel of the region, which has been
7 approved by the regional superintendent.

8 (b) In addition to the use of moneys in the institute fund
9 to defray expenses under subsection (a) of this Section, the
10 State Superintendent of Education, as authorized under Section
11 2-3.105 of this Code, shall use moneys in the institute fund to
12 defray all costs associated with the administration of teaching
13 licenses ~~certificates~~ within a city having a population
14 exceeding 500,000. Moneys in the institute fund may also be
15 used by the State Superintendent of Education to support
16 educator recruitment and retention programs within a city
17 having a population exceeding 500,000, to support educator
18 preparation programs within a city having a population
19 exceeding 500,000 as those programs seek national
20 accreditation, and to provide professional development aligned
21 with the requirements set forth in Section 21B-45 of this Code
22 within a city having a population exceeding 500,000. A majority
23 of the moneys in the institute fund must be dedicated to the
24 timely and efficient processing of applications and for the
25 renewal of licenses.

26 (c) The regional superintendent shall on or before January

1 of each year publish in a newspaper of general circulation
2 published in the region or shall post in each school building
3 under his jurisdiction an accounting of (1) the balance on hand
4 in the institute ~~Institute~~ fund at the beginning of the
5 previous year; (2) all receipts within the previous year
6 deposited in the fund, with the sources from which they were
7 derived; (3) the amount distributed from the fund and the
8 purposes for which such distributions were made; and (4) the
9 balance on hand in the fund.

10 (Source: P.A. 96-893, eff. 7-1-10; 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)

11 (105 ILCS 5/21B-20)

12 Sec. 21B-20. Types of licenses. Before July 1, 2013, the
13 State Board of Education shall implement a system of educator
14 licensure, whereby individuals employed in school districts
15 who are required to be licensed must have one of the following
16 licenses: (i) a professional educator license; (ii) a
17 professional educator license with stipulations; or (iii) a
18 substitute teaching license. References in law regarding
19 individuals certified or certificated or required to be
20 certified or certificated under Article 21 of this Code shall
21 also include individuals licensed or required to be licensed
22 under this Article. The first year of all licenses ends on June
23 30 following one full year of the license being issued.

24 The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
25 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may adopt such

1 rules as may be necessary to govern the requirements for
2 licenses and endorsements under this Section.

3 (1) Professional Educator License. Persons who (i)
4 have successfully completed an approved educator
5 preparation program and are recommended for licensure by
6 the Illinois institution offering the educator preparation
7 program, (ii) have successfully completed the required
8 testing under Section 21B-30 of this Code, (iii) have
9 successfully completed coursework on the psychology of,
10 the identification of, and the methods of instruction for
11 the exceptional child, including without limitation the
12 learning disabled, (iv) have successfully completed
13 coursework in methods of reading and reading in the content
14 area, and (v) have met all other criteria established by
15 rule of the State Board of Education shall be issued a
16 Professional Educator License. All Professional Educator
17 Licenses are valid until June 30 immediately following 5
18 years of the license being issued. The Professional
19 Educator License shall be endorsed with specific areas and
20 grade levels in which the individual is eligible to
21 practice.

22 Individuals can receive subsequent endorsements on the
23 Professional Educator License. Subsequent endorsements
24 shall require a minimum of 24 semester hours of coursework
25 in the endorsement area, unless otherwise specified by
26 rule, and passage of the applicable content area test.

1 (2) Educator License with Stipulations. An Educator
2 License with Stipulations shall be issued an endorsement
3 that limits the license holder to one particular position
4 or does not require completion of an approved educator
5 program or both.

6 An individual with an Educator License with
7 Stipulations must not be employed by a school district or
8 any other entity to replace any presently employed teacher
9 who otherwise would not be replaced for any reason.

10 An Educator License with Stipulations may be issued
11 with the following endorsements:

12 (A) Provisional educator. A provisional educator
13 endorsement in a specific content area or areas on an
14 Educator License with Stipulations may be issued to an
15 applicant who holds an educator license with a minimum
16 of 15 semester hours in content coursework from another
17 state, U.S. territory, or foreign country and who, at
18 the time of applying for an Illinois license, does not
19 meet the minimum requirements under Section 21B-35 of
20 this Code, but does, at a minimum, meet ~~both of~~ the
21 following requirements:

22 (i) Holds the equivalent of a minimum of a
23 bachelor's degree, unless a master's degree is
24 required for the endorsement, from a regionally
25 accredited college or university or, for
26 individuals educated in a country other than the

1 United States, the equivalent of a minimum of a
2 bachelor's degree issued in the United States,
3 unless a master's degree is required for the
4 endorsement.

5 (ii) Has passed or passes a test of basic
6 skills and content area test, as required by
7 Section 21B-30 of this Code, prior to or within one
8 year after issuance of the provisional educator
9 endorsement on the Educator License with
10 Stipulations. If an individual who holds an
11 Educator License with Stipulations endorsed for
12 provisional educator has not passed a test of basic
13 skills and applicable content area test or tests
14 within one year after issuance of the endorsement,
15 the endorsement shall expire on June 30 following
16 one full year of the endorsement being issued. If
17 such an individual has passed the test of basic
18 skills and applicable content area test or tests
19 either prior to issuance of the endorsement or
20 within one year after issuance of the endorsement,
21 the endorsement is valid until June 30 immediately
22 following 2 years of the license being issued,
23 during which time any and all coursework
24 deficiencies must be met and any and all additional
25 testing deficiencies must be met.

26 In addition However, a provisional educator

1 endorsement for principals or superintendents may be
2 issued if the individual meets the requirements set
3 forth in subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection (b-5)
4 of Section 21B-35 of this Code ~~may not be issued, nor~~
5 ~~may any person with a provisional educator endorsement~~
6 ~~serve as a principal in a public school in this State.~~
7 Applicants who have not been entitled by an
8 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an
9 Illinois institution of higher education ~~In addition,~~
10 ~~out of state applicants~~ shall not receive a
11 provisional educator endorsement if the person
12 completed an alternative licensure program in another
13 state, unless the program has been determined to be
14 equivalent to Illinois program requirements.

15 Notwithstanding any other requirements of this
16 Section, a service member or spouse of a service member
17 may obtain a Professional Educator License with
18 Stipulations, and a provisional educator endorsement
19 in a specific content area or areas, if he or she holds
20 a valid teaching certificate or license in good
21 standing from another state, meets the qualifications
22 of educators outlined in Section 21B-15 of this Code,
23 and has not engaged in any misconduct that would
24 prohibit an individual from obtaining a license
25 pursuant to Illinois law, including without limitation
26 any administrative rules of the State Board of

1 ~~Education; however, the service member or spouse may~~
2 ~~not serve as a principal under the Professional~~
3 ~~Educator License with Stipulations or provisional~~
4 ~~educator endorsement.~~

5 In this Section, "service member" means any person
6 who, at the time of application under this Section, is
7 an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces
8 or any reserve component of the United States Armed
9 Forces or the National Guard of any state,
10 commonwealth, or territory of the United States or the
11 District of Columbia.

12 A provisional educator endorsement is valid until
13 June 30 immediately following 2 years of the license
14 being issued, provided that ~~during which time~~ any
15 remaining testing and coursework deficiencies are ~~must~~
16 ~~be~~ met as set forth in this Section. Failure to satisfy
17 all stated deficiencies shall mean the individual,
18 including any service member or spouse who has obtained
19 a Professional Educator License with Stipulations and
20 a provisional educator endorsement in a specific
21 content area or areas, is ineligible to receive a
22 Professional Educator License at that time. An A
23 ~~provisional educator endorsement on an~~ Educator
24 License with Stipulations endorsed for provisional
25 educator shall not be renewed for individuals who hold
26 an Educator License with Stipulations and who have held

1 a position in a public school or non-public school
2 recognized by the State Board of Education.

3 (B) Alternative provisional educator. An
4 alternative provisional educator endorsement on an
5 Educator License with Stipulations may be issued to an
6 applicant who, at the time of applying for the
7 endorsement, has done all of the following:

8 (i) Graduated from a regionally accredited
9 college or university with a minimum of a
10 bachelor's degree.

11 (ii) Successfully completed the first phase of
12 the Alternative Educator Licensure Program for
13 Teachers, as described in Section 21B-50 of this
14 Code.

15 (iii) Passed a test of basic skills and content
16 area test, as required under Section 21B-30 of this
17 Code.

18 The alternative provisional educator endorsement
19 is valid for 2 years of teaching and may be renewed for
20 a third year by an individual meeting the requirements
21 set forth in Section 21B-50 of this Code.

22 (C) Alternative provisional superintendent. An
23 alternative provisional superintendent endorsement on
24 an Educator License with Stipulations entitles the
25 holder to serve only as a superintendent or assistant
26 superintendent in a school district's central office.

1 This endorsement may only be issued to an applicant
2 who, at the time of applying for the endorsement, has
3 done all of the following:

4 (i) Graduated from a regionally accredited
5 college or university with a minimum of a master's
6 degree in a management field other than education.

7 (ii) Been employed for a period of at least 5
8 years in a management level position in a field
9 other than education.

10 (iii) Successfully completed the first phase
11 of an alternative route to superintendent
12 endorsement program, as provided in Section 21B-55
13 of this Code.

14 (iv) Passed a test of basic skills and content
15 area tests required under Section 21B-30 of this
16 Code.

17 The endorsement may be registered for 2 fiscal
18 years in order to complete one full year of serving as
19 a superintendent or assistant superintendent.

20 (D) Resident teacher endorsement. A resident
21 teacher endorsement on an Educator License with
22 Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who, at the
23 time of applying for the endorsement, has done all of
24 the following:

25 (i) Graduated from a regionally accredited
26 institution of higher education with a minimum of a

1 bachelor's degree.

2 (ii) Enrolled in an approved Illinois educator
3 preparation program.

4 (iii) Passed a test of basic skills and content
5 area test, as required under Section 21B-30 of this
6 Code.

7 The resident teacher endorsement on an Educator
8 License with Stipulations is valid for 4 years of
9 teaching and shall not be renewed.

10 A resident teacher may teach only under the
11 direction of a licensed teacher, who shall act as the
12 resident mentor teacher, and may not teach in place of
13 a licensed teacher. A resident teacher endorsement on
14 an Educator License with Stipulations shall no longer
15 be valid after June 30, 2017.

16 (E) Career and technical educator. A career and
17 technical educator endorsement on an Educator License
18 with Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who has
19 a minimum of 60 semester hours of coursework from a
20 regionally accredited institution of higher education
21 and has a minimum of 2,000 hours of experience ~~in the~~
22 ~~last 10 years~~ outside of education in each area to be
23 taught.

24 The career and technical educator endorsement on
25 an Educator License with Stipulations is valid until
26 June 30 immediately following 5 years of the

1 endorsement being issued and may be renewed if the
2 individual passes a test of basic skills, as required
3 under Section 21B-30 of this Code.

4 (F) Part-time provisional career and technical
5 educator or provisional career and technical educator.
6 A part-time provisional career and technical educator
7 endorsement or a provisional career and technical
8 educator endorsement on an Educator License with
9 Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who has a
10 minimum of 8,000 hours of work experience in the skill
11 for which the applicant is seeking the endorsement. It
12 is the responsibility of each employing school board
13 and regional office of education to provide
14 verification, in writing, to the State Superintendent
15 of Education at the time the application is submitted
16 that no qualified teacher holding a Professional
17 Educator License or an Educator License with
18 Stipulations with a career and technical educator
19 endorsement is available and that actual circumstances
20 require such issuance.

21 The provisional career and technical educator
22 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations
23 is valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years of
24 the endorsement being issued and may be renewed only
25 one time for 5 years if the individual passes a test of
26 basic skills, as required under Section 21B-30 of this

1 Code, and has completed a minimum of 20 semester hours
2 from a regionally accredited institution.

3 A part-time provisional career and technical
4 educator endorsement on an Educator License with
5 Stipulations may be issued for teaching no more than 2
6 courses of study for grades 6 through 12. The part-time
7 provisional career and technical educator endorsement
8 on an Educator License with Stipulations is valid until
9 June 30 immediately following 5 years of the
10 endorsement being issued and may be renewed for 5 years
11 if the individual makes application for renewal.

12 (G) Transitional bilingual educator. A
13 transitional bilingual educator endorsement on an
14 Educator License with Stipulations may be issued for
15 the purpose of providing instruction in accordance
16 with Article 14C of this Code to an applicant who
17 provides satisfactory evidence that he or she meets all
18 of the following requirements:

19 (i) Possesses adequate speaking, reading, and
20 writing ability in the language other than English
21 in which transitional bilingual education is
22 offered.

23 (ii) Has the ability to successfully
24 communicate in English.

25 (iii) Either possessed, within 5 years
26 previous to his or her applying for a transitional

1 bilingual educator endorsement, a valid and
2 comparable teaching certificate or comparable
3 authorization issued by a foreign country or holds
4 a degree from an institution of higher learning in
5 a foreign country that the State Educator
6 Preparation and Licensure Board determines to be
7 the equivalent of a bachelor's degree from a
8 regionally accredited institution of higher
9 learning in the United States.

10 A transitional bilingual educator endorsement
11 shall be valid for prekindergarten through grade 12, is
12 valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years of
13 the endorsement being issued, and shall not be renewed.

14 Persons holding a transitional bilingual educator
15 endorsement shall not be employed to replace any
16 presently employed teacher who otherwise would not be
17 replaced for any reason.

18 (H) Language endorsement. In an effort to
19 alleviate the shortage of teachers speaking a language
20 other than English in the public schools, an individual
21 who holds an Educator License with Stipulations may
22 also apply for a language endorsement, provided that
23 the applicant provides satisfactory evidence that he
24 or she meets all of the following requirements:

25 (i) Holds a transitional bilingual
26 endorsement.

1 (ii) Has demonstrated proficiency in the
2 language for which the endorsement is to be issued
3 by passing the applicable language content test
4 required by the State Board of Education.

5 (iii) Holds a bachelor's degree or higher from
6 a regionally accredited institution of higher
7 education or, for individuals educated in a
8 country other than the United States, holds a
9 degree from an institution of higher learning in a
10 foreign country that the State Educator
11 Preparation and Licensure Board determines to be
12 the equivalent of a bachelor's degree from a
13 regionally accredited institution of higher
14 learning in the United States.

15 (iv) Has passed a test of basic skills, as
16 required under Section 21B-30 of this Code.

17 A language endorsement on an Educator License with
18 Stipulations is valid for prekindergarten through
19 grade 12 for the same validity period as the
20 individual's transitional bilingual educator
21 endorsement on the Educator License with Stipulations
22 and shall not be renewed.

23 (I) Visiting international educator. A visiting
24 international educator endorsement on an Educator
25 License with Stipulations may be issued to an
26 individual who is being recruited by a particular

1 school district that conducts formal recruitment
2 programs outside of the United States to secure the
3 services of qualified teachers and who meets all of the
4 following requirements:

5 (i) Holds the equivalent of a minimum of a
6 bachelor's degree issued in the United States.

7 (ii) Has been prepared as a teacher at the
8 grade level for which he or she will be employed.

9 (iii) Has adequate content knowledge in the
10 subject to be taught.

11 (iv) Has an adequate command of the English
12 language.

13 A holder of a visiting international educator
14 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations
15 shall be permitted to teach in bilingual education
16 programs in the language that was the medium of
17 instruction in his or her teacher preparation program,
18 provided that he or she passes the English Language
19 Proficiency Examination or another test of writing
20 skills in English identified by the State Board of
21 Education, in consultation with the State Educator
22 Preparation and Licensure Board.

23 A visiting international educator endorsement on
24 an Educator License with Stipulations is valid for 3
25 years and shall not be renewed.

26 (J) Paraprofessional educator. A paraprofessional

1 educator endorsement on an Educator License with
2 Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who holds a
3 high school diploma or its recognized equivalent and
4 either holds an associate's degree or a minimum of 60
5 semester hours of credit from a regionally accredited
6 institution of higher education or has passed a test of
7 basic skills required under Section 21B-30 of this
8 Code. The paraprofessional educator endorsement is
9 valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years of
10 the endorsement being issued and may be renewed through
11 application and payment of the appropriate fee, as
12 required under Section 21B-40 of this Code. An
13 individual who holds only a paraprofessional educator
14 endorsement is not subject to additional requirements
15 in order to renew the endorsement.

16 (K) Chief school business official. A chief school
17 business official endorsement on an Educator License
18 with Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who
19 qualifies by having a master's degree or higher, 2
20 years of full-time administrative experience in school
21 business management or 2 years of university-approved
22 practical experience, and a minimum of 24 semester
23 hours of graduate credit in a program approved by the
24 State Board of Education for the preparation of school
25 business administrators and by passage of the
26 applicable State tests, including a test of basic

1 skills and applicable content area test.

2 The chief school business official endorsement may
3 also be affixed to the Educator License with
4 Stipulations of any holder who qualifies by having a
5 master's degree in business administration, finance,
6 or accounting and who completes an additional 6
7 semester hours of internship in school business
8 management from a regionally accredited institution of
9 higher education and passes the applicable State
10 tests, including a test of basic skills and applicable
11 content area test. This endorsement shall be required
12 for any individual employed as a chief school business
13 official.

14 The chief school business official endorsement on
15 an Educator License with Stipulations is valid until
16 June 30 immediately following 5 years of the
17 endorsement being issued and may be renewed if the
18 license holder completes renewal requirements as
19 required for individuals who hold a Professional
20 Educator License endorsed for chief school business
21 official under Section 21B-45 of this Code and such
22 rules as may be adopted by the State Board of
23 Education.

24 (3) Substitute Teaching License. A Substitute Teaching
25 License may be issued to qualified applicants for
26 substitute teaching in all grades of the public schools,

1 prekindergarten through grade 12. Substitute Teaching
2 Licenses are not eligible for endorsements. Applicants for
3 a Substitute Teaching License must hold a bachelor's degree
4 or higher from a regionally accredited institution of
5 higher education.

6 Substitute Teaching Licenses are valid for 5 years and
7 may be renewed if the individual has passed a test of basic
8 skills, as authorized under Section 21B-30 of this Code. An
9 individual who has passed a test of basic skills for the
10 first licensure renewal is not required to retake the test
11 again for further renewals.

12 Substitute Teaching Licenses are valid for substitute
13 teaching in every county of this State. If an individual
14 has had his or her Professional Educator License or
15 Educator License with Stipulations suspended or revoked or
16 has not met the renewal requirements for licensure, then
17 that individual is not eligible to obtain a Substitute
18 Teaching License.

19 A substitute teacher may only teach in the place of a
20 licensed teacher who is under contract with the employing
21 board. If, however, there is no licensed teacher under
22 contract because of an emergency situation, then a district
23 may employ a substitute teacher for no longer than 30
24 calendar days per each vacant position in the district if
25 the district notifies the appropriate regional office of
26 education within 5 business days after the employment of

1 the substitute teacher in the emergency situation. An
2 emergency situation is one in which an unforeseen vacancy
3 has occurred and (i) a teacher is unable to fulfill his or
4 her contractual duties or (ii) teacher capacity needs of
5 the district exceed previous indications, and the district
6 is actively engaged in advertising to hire a fully licensed
7 teacher for the vacant position.

8 There is no limit on the number of days that a
9 substitute teacher may teach in a single school district,
10 provided that no substitute teacher may teach for longer
11 than 90 school days for any one licensed teacher under
12 contract in the same school year. A substitute teacher who
13 holds a Professional Educator License or Educator License
14 with Stipulations shall not teach for more than 120 school
15 days for any one licensed teacher under contract in the
16 same school year. The limitations in this paragraph (3) on
17 the number of days a substitute teacher may be employed do
18 not apply to any school district operating under Article 34
19 of this Code.

20 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 97-710, eff. 1-1-13; 98-28,
21 eff. 7-1-13; 98-751, eff. 1-1-15.)

22 (105 ILCS 5/21B-25)

23 Sec. 21B-25. Endorsement on licenses. All licenses issued
24 under paragraph (1) of Section 21B-20 of this Code shall be
25 specifically endorsed by the State Board of Education for each

1 content area, school support area, and administrative area for
2 which the holder of the license is qualified. Recognized
3 institutions approved to offer educator preparation programs
4 shall be trained to add endorsements to licenses issued to
5 applicants who meet all of the requirements for the endorsement
6 or endorsements, including passing any required tests. The
7 State Superintendent of Education shall randomly audit
8 institutions to ensure that all rules and standards are being
9 followed for entitlement or when endorsements are being
10 recommended.

11 (1) The State Board of Education, in consultation with
12 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, shall
13 establish, by rule, the grade level and subject area
14 endorsements to be added to the Professional Educator
15 License. These rules shall outline the requirements for
16 obtaining each endorsement.

17 (2) In addition to any and all grade level and content
18 area endorsements developed by rule, the State Board of
19 Education, in consultation with the State Educator
20 Preparation and Licensure Board, shall develop the
21 requirements for the following endorsements:

22 (A) General administrative endorsement. A general
23 administrative endorsement shall be added to a
24 Professional Educator License, provided that an
25 approved program has been completed. An individual
26 holding a general administrative endorsement may work

1 only as a principal or assistant principal or in a
2 related or similar position, as determined by the State
3 Superintendent of Education, in consultation with the
4 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

5 Beginning on September 1, 2014, the general
6 administrative endorsement shall no longer be issued
7 except to individuals who completed all coursework
8 requirements for the receipt of the general
9 administrative endorsement by September 1, 2014, who
10 have completed all testing requirements by June 30,
11 2016, and who apply for the endorsement on or before
12 June 30, 2016. Individuals who hold a valid and
13 registered administrative certificate with a general
14 administrative endorsement issued under Section 21-7.1
15 of this Code or a Professional Educator License with a
16 general administrative endorsement issued prior to
17 September 1, 2014 and who have served for at least one
18 full year during the 5 years prior in a position
19 requiring a general administrative endorsement shall,
20 upon request to the State Board of Education and
21 through July 1, 2015, have their respective general
22 administrative endorsement converted to a principal
23 endorsement on the Professional Educator License.
24 Candidates shall not be admitted to an approved general
25 administrative preparation program after September 1,
26 2012.

1 All other individuals holding a valid and
2 registered administrative certificate with a general
3 administrative endorsement issued pursuant to Section
4 21-7.1 of this Code or a general administrative
5 endorsement on a Professional Educator License issued
6 prior to September 1, 2014 shall have the general
7 administrative endorsement converted to a principal
8 endorsement on a Professional Educator License upon
9 request to the State Board of Education and by
10 completing one of the following pathways:

11 (i) Passage of the State principal assessment
12 developed by the State Board of Education.

13 (ii) Through July 1, 2019, completion of an
14 Illinois Educators' Academy course designated by
15 the State Superintendent of Education.

16 (iii) Completion of a principal preparation
17 program established and approved pursuant to
18 Section 21B-60 of this Code and applicable rules.

19 Individuals who do not choose to convert the
20 general administrative endorsement on the
21 administrative certificate issued pursuant to Section
22 21-7.1 of this Code or on the Professional Educator
23 License shall continue to be able to serve in any
24 position previously allowed under paragraph (2) of
25 subsection (e) of Section 21-7.1 of this Code.

26 The general administrative endorsement on the

1 Professional Educator License is available only to
2 individuals who, prior to September 1, 2014, had such
3 an endorsement on the administrative certificate
4 issued pursuant to Section 21-7.1 of this Code or who
5 already have a Professional Educator License and have
6 completed a general administrative program and who do
7 not choose to convert the general administrative
8 endorsement to a principal endorsement pursuant to the
9 options in this Section.

10 (B) Principal endorsement. A principal endorsement
11 shall be affixed to a Professional Educator License of
12 any holder who qualifies by having all of the
13 following:

14 (i) Successful completion of a principal
15 preparation program approved in accordance with
16 Section 21B-60 of this Code and any applicable
17 rules.

18 (ii) At least 4 total years of teaching or,
19 until June 30, 2019, working in the capacity of
20 school support personnel in an Illinois public
21 school or nonpublic school recognized by the State
22 Board of Education or in an out-of-state public
23 school or out-of-state nonpublic school meeting
24 out-of-state recognition standards comparable to
25 those approved by the State Superintendent of
26 Education; however, the State Board of Education,

1 in consultation with the State Educator
2 Preparation and Licensure Board, shall allow, by
3 rules, for fewer than 4 years of experience based
4 on meeting standards set forth in such rules,
5 including without limitation a review of
6 performance evaluations or other evidence of
7 demonstrated qualifications.

8 (iii) A master's degree or higher from a
9 regionally accredited college or university.

10 (C) Chief school business official endorsement. A
11 chief school business official endorsement shall be
12 affixed to the Professional Educator License of any
13 holder who qualifies by having a master's degree or
14 higher, 2 years of full-time administrative experience
15 in school business management or 2 years of
16 university-approved practical experience, and a
17 minimum of 24 semester hours of graduate credit in a
18 program approved by the State Board of Education for
19 the preparation of school business administrators and
20 by passage of the applicable State tests. The chief
21 school business official endorsement may also be
22 affixed to the Professional Educator License of any
23 holder who qualifies by having a master's degree in
24 business administration, finance, or accounting and
25 who completes an additional 6 semester hours of
26 internship in school business management from a

1 regionally accredited institution of higher education
2 and passes the applicable State tests. This
3 endorsement shall be required for any individual
4 employed as a chief school business official.

5 (D) Superintendent endorsement. A superintendent
6 endorsement shall be affixed to the Professional
7 Educator License of any holder who has completed a
8 program approved by the State Board of Education for
9 the preparation of superintendents of schools, has had
10 at least 2 years of experience employed full-time in a
11 general administrative position or as a full-time
12 principal, director of special education, or chief
13 school business official in the public schools or in a
14 State-recognized nonpublic school in which the chief
15 administrator is required to have the licensure
16 necessary to be a principal in a public school in this
17 State and where a majority of the teachers are required
18 to have the licensure necessary to be instructors in a
19 public school in this State, and has passed the
20 required State tests; or of any holder who has
21 completed a program that is not an Illinois-approved
22 educator preparation program at an Illinois
23 institution of higher education and ~~from out-of-state~~
24 that has ~~a program with~~ recognition standards
25 comparable to those approved by the State
26 Superintendent of Education and holds the general

1 administrative, principal, or chief school business
2 official endorsement and who has had 2 years of
3 experience as a principal, director of special
4 education, or chief school business official while
5 holding a valid educator license or certificate
6 comparable in validity and educational and experience
7 requirements and has passed the appropriate State
8 tests, as provided in Section 21B-30 of this Code. The
9 superintendent endorsement shall allow individuals to
10 serve only as a superintendent or assistant
11 superintendent.

12 (E) Teacher leader endorsement. It shall be the
13 policy of this State to improve the quality of
14 instructional leaders by providing a career pathway
15 for teachers interested in serving in leadership
16 roles, but not as principals. The State Board of
17 Education, in consultation with the State Educator
18 Preparation and Licensure Board, may issue a teacher
19 leader endorsement under this subdivision (E). Persons
20 who meet and successfully complete the requirements of
21 the endorsement shall be issued a teacher leader
22 endorsement on the Professional Educator License for
23 serving in schools in this State. Teacher leaders may
24 qualify to serve in such positions as department
25 chairs, coaches, mentors, curriculum and instruction
26 leaders, or other leadership positions as defined by

1 the district. The endorsement shall be available to
2 those teachers who (i) hold a Professional Educator
3 License, (ii) hold a master's degree or higher from a
4 regionally accredited institution, (iii) have
5 completed a program of study that has been approved by
6 the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
7 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, and
8 (iv) have taken coursework in all of the following
9 areas:

10 (I) Leadership.

11 (II) Designing professional development to
12 meet teaching and learning needs.

13 (III) Building school culture that focuses on
14 student learning.

15 (IV) Using assessments to improve student
16 learning and foster school improvement.

17 (V) Building collaboration with teachers and
18 stakeholders.

19 A teacher who meets the requirements set forth in
20 this Section and holds a teacher leader endorsement may
21 evaluate teachers pursuant to Section 24A-5 of this
22 Code, provided that the individual has completed the
23 evaluation component required by Section 24A-3 of this
24 Code and a teacher leader is allowed to evaluate
25 personnel under the respective school district's
26 collective bargaining agreement.

1 The State Board of Education, in consultation with
2 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board,
3 may adopt such rules as may be necessary to establish
4 and implement the teacher leader endorsement program
5 and to specify the positions for which this endorsement
6 shall be required.

7 (F) Special education endorsement. A special
8 education endorsement in one or more areas shall be
9 affixed to a Professional Educator License for any
10 individual that meets those requirements established
11 by the State Board of Education in rules. Special
12 education endorsement areas shall include without
13 limitation the following:

- 14 (i) Learning Behavior Specialist I;
- 15 (ii) Learning Behavior Specialist II;
- 16 (iii) Speech Language Pathologist;
- 17 (iv) Blind or Visually Impaired;
- 18 (v) Deaf-Hard of Hearing; and
- 19 (vi) Early Childhood Special Education.

20 Notwithstanding anything in this Code to the contrary,
21 the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
22 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may
23 add additional areas of special education by rule.

24 (G) School support personnel endorsement. School
25 support personnel endorsement areas shall include, but
26 are not limited to, school counselor, marriage and

1 family therapist, school psychologist, school speech
2 and language pathologist, school nurse, and school
3 social worker. This endorsement is for individuals who
4 are not teachers or administrators, but still require
5 licensure to work in an instructional support position
6 in a public or State-operated elementary school,
7 secondary school, or cooperative or joint agreement
8 with a governing body or board of control or a charter
9 school operating in compliance with the Charter
10 Schools Law. The school support personnel endorsement
11 shall be affixed to the Professional Educator License
12 and shall meet all of the requirements established in
13 any rules adopted to implement this subdivision (G).
14 The holder of such an endorsement is entitled to all of
15 the rights and privileges granted holders of any other
16 Professional Educator License, including teacher
17 benefits, compensation, and working conditions.

18 Beginning on January 1, 2014 and ending on April
19 30, 2014, a person holding a Professional Educator
20 License with a school speech and language pathologist
21 (teaching) endorsement may exchange his or her school
22 speech and language pathologist (teaching) endorsement
23 for a school speech and language pathologist
24 (non-teaching) endorsement through application to the
25 State Board of Education. There shall be no cost for
26 this exchange.

1 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 98-413, eff. 8-16-13;
2 98-610, eff. 12-27-13; 98-872, eff. 8-11-14; 98-917, eff.
3 8-15-14; 98-1147, eff. 12-31-14.)

4 (105 ILCS 5/21B-30)

5 Sec. 21B-30. Educator testing.

6 (a) This Section applies beginning on July 1, 2012.

7 (b) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
8 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, shall design
9 and implement a system of examinations, which shall be required
10 prior to the issuance of educator licenses. These examinations
11 and indicators must be based on national and State professional
12 teaching standards, as determined by the State Board of
13 Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation
14 and Licensure Board. The State Board of Education may adopt
15 such rules as may be necessary to implement and administer this
16 Section. No score on a test required under this Section, other
17 than a test of basic skills, shall be more than 10 ~~5~~ years old
18 at the time that an individual makes application for an
19 educator license or endorsement.

20 (c) Applicants seeking a Professional Educator License or
21 an Educator License with Stipulations shall be required to pass
22 a test of basic skills before the license is issued, unless the
23 endorsement the individual is seeking does not require passage
24 of the test. All applicants completing Illinois-approved,
25 teacher education or school service personnel preparation

1 programs shall be required to pass the State Board of
2 Education's recognized test of basic skills prior to starting
3 their student teaching or starting the final semester of their
4 internship, unless required earlier at the discretion of the
5 recognized, Illinois institution in which they are completing
6 their approved program. An individual who passes a test of
7 basic skills does not need to do so again for subsequent
8 endorsements or other educator licenses.

9 (d) All applicants seeking a State license shall be
10 required to pass a test of content area knowledge for each area
11 of endorsement for which there is an applicable test. There
12 shall be no exception to this requirement. No candidate shall
13 be allowed to student teach or serve as the teacher of record
14 until he or she has passed the applicable content area test.

15 (e) All applicants seeking a State license endorsed in a
16 teaching field shall pass the assessment of professional
17 teaching (APT). Passage of the APT is required for completion
18 of an approved Illinois educator preparation program.

19 (f) Beginning on September 1, 2015, all candidates
20 completing teacher preparation programs in this State and all
21 candidates subject to Section 21B-35 of this Code are required
22 to pass an evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness
23 approved by the State Board of Education, in consultation with
24 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. All
25 recognized institutions offering approved teacher preparation
26 programs must begin phasing in the approved teacher performance

1 assessment no later than July 1, 2013.

2 (g) Tests of basic skills and content area knowledge and
3 the assessment of professional teaching shall be the tests that
4 from time to time are designated by the State Board of
5 Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation
6 and Licensure Board, and may be tests prepared by an
7 educational testing organization or tests designed by the State
8 Board of Education, in consultation with the State Educator
9 Preparation and Licensure Board. The areas to be covered by a
10 test of basic skills shall include reading, language arts, and
11 mathematics. The test of content area knowledge shall assess
12 content knowledge in a specific subject field. The tests must
13 be designed to be racially neutral to ensure that no person
14 taking the tests is discriminated against on the basis of race,
15 color, national origin, or other factors unrelated to the
16 person's ability to perform as a licensed employee. The score
17 required to pass the tests shall be fixed by the State Board of
18 Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation
19 and Licensure Board. The tests shall be administered not fewer
20 than 3 times a year at such time and place as may be designated
21 by the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State
22 Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

23 The State Board shall implement a test or tests to assess
24 the speaking, reading, writing, and grammar skills of
25 applicants for an endorsement or a license issued under
26 subdivision (G) of paragraph (2) of Section 21B-20 of this Code

1 in the English language and in the language of the transitional
2 bilingual education program requested by the applicant.

3 (h) Except as provided in Section 34-6 of this Code, the
4 provisions of this Section shall apply equally in any school
5 district subject to Article 34 of this Code.

6 (i) The rules developed to implement and enforce the
7 testing requirements under this Section shall include without
8 limitation provisions governing test selection, test
9 validation and determination of a passing score,
10 administration of the tests, frequency of administration,
11 applicant fees, frequency of applicants taking the tests, the
12 years for which a score is valid, and appropriate special
13 accommodations. The State Board of Education shall develop such
14 rules as may be needed to ensure uniformity from year to year
15 in the level of difficulty for each form of an assessment.

16 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 98-361, eff. 1-1-14;
17 98-581, eff. 8-27-13; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)

18 (105 ILCS 5/21B-35)

19 Sec. 21B-35. Minimum requirements for educators trained in
20 other states or countries.

21 (a) All ~~out-of-state~~ applicants who have not been entitled
22 by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an
23 Illinois institution of higher education applying for a
24 Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or
25 school support personnel area must meet all of the following

1 requirements:

2 (1) Have completed a comparable state-approved
3 education program, as defined by the State Superintendent
4 of Education.

5 (2) Have a degree from a regionally accredited
6 institution of higher education and the degreed major or a
7 constructed major must directly correspond to the license
8 or endorsement sought.

9 (3) Teachers and school support ~~Except for school~~
10 ~~service personnel prepared by out of state programs, have~~
11 ~~completed a minimum of one course in the methods of~~
12 ~~instruction of the exceptional child. School service~~
13 ~~personnel~~ who have not been entitled by an
14 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an
15 Illinois institution of higher education prepared by
16 ~~out of state programs~~ shall meet the same requirements
17 concerning courses in the methods of instruction of the
18 exceptional child as ~~in State~~ candidates entitled by an
19 Illinois-approved educator preparation program in teaching
20 and school support ~~service~~ personnel areas, as defined by
21 rules.

22 (4) Teachers and school support ~~Except for school~~
23 ~~service personnel prepared by out of state programs, have~~
24 ~~completed a minimum of 6 semester hours of coursework in~~
25 ~~methods of reading and reading in the content area. School~~
26 ~~service~~ personnel who have not been entitled by an

1 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an
2 Illinois institution of higher education ~~prepared by~~
3 ~~out-of-state programs~~ shall meet the same requirements
4 concerning coursework in methods of reading and reading in
5 the content area as ~~in-State~~ candidates entitled by an
6 Illinois-approved educator preparation program in teaching
7 and school support ~~service~~ personnel areas, as defined by
8 rules.

9 (5) Teachers and school support ~~Except for school~~
10 ~~service personnel prepared by out of state programs, have~~
11 ~~completed a minimum of one course in instructional~~
12 ~~strategies for English language learners. School service~~
13 personnel who have not been entitled by an
14 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an
15 Illinois institution of higher education ~~prepared by~~
16 ~~out-of-state programs~~ shall meet the same requirements
17 concerning courses in instructional strategies for English
18 language learners as ~~in-State~~ candidates entitled by an
19 Illinois-approved educator preparation program in teaching
20 and school support ~~service~~ personnel areas, as defined by
21 rules.

22 (6) Have successfully met all Illinois examination
23 requirements. Applicants who have successfully completed a
24 test of basic skills, as defined by rules, at the time of
25 initial licensure in another state shall not be required to
26 complete a test of basic skills. Applicants for a teaching

1 endorsement who have successfully completed an
2 evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness, as
3 defined by rules, at the time of initial licensure in
4 another state shall not be required to complete an
5 evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness.

6 (7) For applicants for a teaching endorsement, have
7 ~~Have~~ completed student teaching or an equivalent
8 experience or, for applicants for a school service
9 personnel endorsement, have completed an internship or an
10 equivalent experience.

11 Teachers and school support personnel who have not been
12 entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program
13 at an Illinois institution of higher education must submit
14 verification to the State Board of Education of having
15 completed coursework as required under items (3), (4), and (5)
16 of this subsection (a) prior to issuance of a Professional
17 Educator License. An individual who is not able to verify
18 completion of the coursework as required under items (3), (4),
19 and (5) of this subsection (a) may qualify for an Educator
20 License with Stipulations with a provisional educator
21 endorsement and must complete coursework in those areas
22 identified as deficient.

23 If one or more of the criteria in this subsection (a) ~~of~~
24 ~~this Section~~ are not met, then applicants who have not been
25 entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program
26 at an Illinois institution of higher education ~~out of state~~

1 ~~applicants~~ who hold a valid, comparable certificate from
2 another state ~~and have passed a test of basic skills and~~
3 ~~content area test, as required by Section 21B-20 of this Code,~~
4 may qualify for a provisional educator endorsement on an
5 Educator License with Stipulations, in accordance with Section
6 21B-20 of this Code, ~~with the exception that an individual~~
7 ~~shall not serve as a principal or assistant principal while~~
8 ~~holding the provisional educator endorsement.~~

9 (b) In order to receive a Professional Educator License
10 endorsed in a teaching field, applicants trained in another
11 country must meet all of the following requirements:

12 (1) Have completed a comparable education program in
13 another country.

14 (2) Have had transcripts evaluated by an evaluation
15 service approved by the State Superintendent of Education.

16 (3) Hold a degreed major that must directly correspond
17 to the license or endorsement sought.

18 (4) Have completed coursework ~~a minimum of one course~~
19 in the methods of instruction of the exceptional child.

20 (5) Have completed ~~a minimum of 6 semester hours of~~
21 coursework in methods of reading and reading in the content
22 area.

23 (6) Have completed coursework ~~a minimum of one course~~
24 in instructional strategies for English ~~language~~ learners.

25 (7) Have successfully met all State licensure
26 examination requirements. Applicants who have successfully

1 completed a test of basic skills, as defined by rules, at
2 the time of initial licensure in another country shall not
3 be required to complete a test of basic skills. Applicants
4 for a teaching endorsement who have successfully completed
5 an evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness, as
6 defined by rules, at the time of initial licensure in
7 another country shall not be required to complete an
8 evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness.

9 (8) Have completed student teaching or an equivalent
10 experience.

11 Applicants trained in another country must submit
12 verification to the State Board of Education of having
13 completed coursework as required under items (4), (5), and (6)
14 of this subsection (b) prior to issuance of a Professional
15 Educator License. Individuals who are not able to verify
16 completion of the coursework as required under items (4), (5),
17 and (6) of this subsection (b) may qualify for an Educator
18 License with Stipulations with a provisional educator
19 endorsement and must complete coursework in those areas
20 identified as deficient.

21 If one or more of ~~the these~~ criteria in this subsection (b)
22 are not met, then an applicant trained in another country ~~who~~
23 ~~has passed a test of basic skills and content area test, as~~
24 ~~required by Section 21B-20 of this Code,~~ may qualify for a
25 provisional educator endorsement on an Educator License with
26 Stipulations in accordance with Section 21B-20 of this Code,

1 ~~with the exception that an individual shall not serve as a~~
2 ~~principal or assistant principal while holding the provisional~~
3 ~~educator endorsement.~~

4 (b-5) All applicants who have not been entitled by an
5 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois
6 institution of higher education and applicants trained in
7 another country applying for a Professional Educator License
8 endorsed for principal or superintendent must meet all of the
9 following requirements:

10 (1) Have completed an educator preparation program
11 approved by another state or comparable educator program in
12 another country leading to the receipt of a license or
13 certificate for the Illinois endorsement sought.

14 (2) Have successfully met all State licensure
15 examination requirements, as required by Section 21B-30 of
16 this Code. Applicants who have successfully completed a
17 test of basic skills, as defined by rules, at the time of
18 initial licensure in another state or country shall not be
19 required to complete a test of basic skills.

20 (3) Have received a certificate or license endorsed in
21 a teaching field.

22 A provisional educator endorsement to serve as a
23 superintendent or principal may be affixed to an Educator
24 License with Stipulations in accordance with Section 21B-20 of
25 this Code.

26 (b-10) All applicants who have not been entitled by an

1 Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois
2 institution of higher education applying for a Professional
3 Educator License endorsed for chief school business official
4 must meet all of the following requirements:

5 (1) Have completed a master's degree in school business
6 management, finance, or accounting.

7 (2) Have successfully completed an internship in
8 school business management or have 2 years of experience as
9 a school business administrator.

10 (3) Have successfully met all State examination
11 requirements, as required by Section 21B-30 of this Code.

12 (4) Have successfully completed modules in reading
13 methods, special education, and English Learners.

14 A provisional educator endorsement to serve as a chief
15 school business official may be affixed to an Educator License
16 with Stipulations.

17 (c) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
18 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may adopt such
19 rules as may be necessary to implement this Section.

20 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 98-581, eff. 8-27-13.)

21 (105 ILCS 5/21B-40)

22 Sec. 21B-40. Fees.

23 (a) Beginning with the start of the new licensure system
24 established pursuant to this Article, the following fees shall
25 be charged to applicants:

1 (1) A \$75 application fee for a Professional Educator
2 License or an Educator License with Stipulations and for
3 individuals seeking a Substitute Teaching License.
4 However, beginning on January 1, 2015, the application fee
5 for a Professional Educator License, Educator License with
6 Stipulations, or Substitute Teaching License shall be
7 \$100.

8 (2) A \$150 application fee for individuals who have not
9 been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation
10 program at an Illinois institution of higher education
11 ~~completed an approved educator preparation program outside~~
12 ~~of this State or who hold a valid, comparable credential~~
13 ~~from another state or country~~ and are seeking any of the
14 licenses set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection
15 (a).

16 (3) A \$50 application fee for each endorsement or
17 approval an individual holding a license wishes to add to
18 that license.

19 (4) A \$10 per year registration fee for the course of
20 the validity cycle to register the license, which shall be
21 paid to the regional office of education having supervision
22 and control over the school in which the individual holding
23 the license is to be employed. If the individual holding
24 the license is not yet employed, then the license may be
25 registered in any county in this State. The registration
26 fee must be paid in its entirety the first time the

1 individual registers the license for a particular validity
2 period in a single region. No additional fee may be charged
3 for that validity period should the individual
4 subsequently register the license in additional regions.
5 An individual must register the license (i) immediately
6 after initial issuance of the license and (ii) at the
7 beginning of each renewal cycle if the individual has
8 satisfied the renewal requirements required under this
9 Code.

10 (b) All application fees paid pursuant to subdivisions (1)
11 through (3) of subsection (a) of this Section shall be
12 deposited into the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund and
13 shall be used, subject to appropriation, by the State Board of
14 Education to provide the technology and human resources
15 necessary for the timely and efficient processing of
16 applications and for the renewal of licenses. Funds available
17 from the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund may also be
18 used by the State Board of Education to support the recruitment
19 and retention of educators, to support educator preparation
20 programs as they seek national accreditation, and to provide
21 professional development aligned with the requirements set
22 forth in Section 21B-45 of this Code. A majority of the funds
23 in the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund must be dedicated
24 to the timely and efficient processing of applications and for
25 the renewal of licenses. The Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving
26 Fund is not subject to administrative charge transfers,

1 authorized under Section 8h of the State Finance Act, from the
2 Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund into any other fund of
3 this State, and moneys in the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving
4 Fund shall not revert back to the General Revenue Fund at any
5 time.

6 The regional superintendent of schools shall deposit the
7 registration fees paid pursuant to subdivision (4) of
8 subsection (a) of this Section into the institute fund
9 established pursuant to Section 3-11 of this Code.

10 (c) The State Board of Education and each regional office
11 of education are authorized to charge a service or convenience
12 fee for the use of credit cards for the payment of license
13 fees. This service or convenience fee shall not exceed the
14 amount required by the credit card processing company or vendor
15 that has entered into a contract with the State Board or
16 regional office of education for this purpose, and the fee must
17 be paid to that company or vendor.

18 (d) If, at the time a certificate issued under Article 21
19 of this Code is exchanged for a license issued under this
20 Article, a person has paid registration fees for any years of
21 the validity period of the certificate and these years have not
22 expired when the certificate is exchanged, then those fees must
23 be applied to the registration of the new license.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 98-610, eff. 12-27-13.)

25 (105 ILCS 5/21B-45)

1 Sec. 21B-45. Professional Educator License renewal.

2 (a) Individuals holding a Professional Educator License
3 are required to complete the licensure renewal requirements as
4 specified in this Section, unless otherwise provided in this
5 Code.

6 Individuals holding a Professional Educator License shall
7 meet the renewal requirements set forth in this Section, unless
8 otherwise provided in this Code. If an individual holds a
9 license endorsed in more than one area that has different
10 renewal requirements, that individual shall follow the renewal
11 requirements for the position for which he or she spends the
12 majority of his or her time working.

13 (b) All Professional Educator Licenses not renewed as
14 provided in this Section shall lapse on September 1 of that
15 year. Lapsed licenses may be immediately reinstated upon (i)
16 payment by the applicant of a \$500 penalty to the State Board
17 of Education or, ~~for individuals holding an Educator License~~
18 ~~with Stipulations with a paraprofessional educator endorsement~~
19 ~~only, payment by the applicant of a \$150 penalty to the State~~
20 ~~Board of Education or~~ (ii) the demonstration of proficiency by
21 completing 9 semester hours of coursework from a regionally
22 accredited institution of higher education in the content area
23 that most aligns with one or more of the educator's endorsement
24 areas. Any and all back fees, including without limitation
25 registration fees owed from the time of expiration of the
26 certificate until the date of reinstatement, shall be paid and

1 kept in accordance with the provisions in Article 3 of this
2 Code concerning an institute fund and the provisions in Article
3 21B of this Code concerning fees and requirements for
4 registration. Licenses not registered in accordance with
5 Section 21B-40 of this Code shall lapse after a period of 6
6 months from the expiration of the last year of registration. An
7 unregistered license is invalid after September 1 for
8 employment and performance of services in an Illinois public or
9 State-operated school or cooperative and in a charter school.
10 Any license or endorsement may be voluntarily surrendered by
11 the license holder. A voluntarily surrendered license, except a
12 substitute teaching license issued under Section 21B-20 of this
13 Code, shall be treated as a revoked license. An Educator
14 License with Stipulations with only a paraprofessional
15 endorsement does not lapse.

16 (c) From July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in order to
17 satisfy the requirements for licensure renewal provided for in
18 this Section, each professional educator licensee with an
19 administrative endorsement who is working in a position
20 requiring such endorsement shall complete one Illinois
21 Administrators' Academy course, as described in Article 2 of
22 this Code, per fiscal year.

23 (d) Beginning July 1, 2014, in order to satisfy the
24 requirements for licensure renewal provided for in this
25 Section, each professional educator licensee may create a
26 professional development plan each year. The plan shall address

1 one or more of the endorsements that are required of his or her
2 educator position if the licensee is employed and performing
3 services in an Illinois public or State-operated school or
4 cooperative. If the licensee is employed in a charter school,
5 the plan shall address that endorsement or those endorsements
6 most closely related to his or her educator position. Licensees
7 employed and performing services in any other Illinois schools
8 may participate in the renewal requirements by adhering to the
9 same process.

10 Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the
11 licensee's professional development activities shall align
12 with one or more of the following criteria:

13 (1) activities are of a type that engage participants
14 over a sustained period of time allowing for analysis,
15 discovery, and application as they relate to student
16 learning, social or emotional achievement, or well-being;

17 (2) professional development aligns to the licensee's
18 performance;

19 (3) outcomes for the activities must relate to student
20 growth or district improvement;

21 (4) activities align to State-approved standards; and

22 (5) higher education coursework.

23 (e) For each renewal cycle, each professional educator
24 licensee shall engage in professional development activities.
25 Prior to renewal ~~Within 60 days after the conclusion of a~~
26 ~~professional development activity,~~ the licensee shall enter

1 electronically into the Educator Licensure Information System
2 (ELIS) the name, date, and location of the activity, the number
3 of professional development hours, and the provider's name. The
4 following provisions shall apply concerning professional
5 development activities:

6 (1) Each licensee shall complete a total of 120 hours
7 of professional development per 5-year renewal cycle in
8 order to renew the license, except as otherwise provided in
9 this Section.

10 (2) Beginning with his or her first full 5-year cycle,
11 any licensee with an administrative endorsement who is not
12 working in a position requiring such endorsement shall
13 complete one Illinois Administrators' Academy course, as
14 described in Article 2 of this Code, in each 5-year renewal
15 cycle in which the administrative endorsement was held for
16 at least one year. The Illinois Administrators' Academy
17 course may count toward the total of 120 hours per 5-year
18 cycle.

19 (3) Any licensee with an administrative endorsement
20 who is working in a position requiring such endorsement or
21 an individual with a Teacher Leader endorsement serving in
22 an administrative capacity at least 50% of the day shall
23 complete one Illinois Administrators' Academy course, as
24 described in Article 2 of this Code, each fiscal year in
25 addition to 100 hours of professional development per
26 5-year renewal cycle in accordance with this Code.

1 (4) Any licensee holding a current National Board for
2 Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) master teacher
3 designation shall complete a total of 60 hours of
4 professional development per 5-year renewal cycle in order
5 to renew the license.

6 (5) Licensees working in a position that does not
7 require educator licensure or working in a position for
8 less than 50% for any particular year are considered to be
9 exempt and shall be required to pay only the registration
10 fee in order to renew and maintain the validity of the
11 license.

12 (6) Licensees who are retired and qualify for benefits
13 from a State retirement system shall notify the State Board
14 of Education using ELIS, and the license shall be
15 maintained in retired status. An individual with a license
16 in retired status shall not be required to complete
17 professional development activities or pay registration
18 fees until returning to a position that requires educator
19 licensure. Upon returning to work in a position that
20 requires the Professional Educator License, the licensee
21 shall immediately pay a registration fee and complete
22 renewal requirements for that year. A license in retired
23 status cannot lapse.

24 (7) For any renewal cycle in which professional
25 development hours were required, but not fulfilled, the
26 licensee shall complete any missed hours to total the

1 minimum professional development hours required in this
2 Section prior to September 1 of that year. For any fiscal
3 year or renewal cycle in which an Illinois Administrators'
4 Academy course was required but not completed, the licensee
5 shall complete any missed Illinois Administrators' Academy
6 courses prior to September 1 of that year. The licensee may
7 complete all deficient hours and Illinois Administrators'
8 Academy courses while continuing to work in a position that
9 requires that license until September 1 of that year.

10 (8) Any licensee who has not fulfilled the professional
11 development renewal requirements set forth in this Section
12 at the end of any 5-year renewal cycle is ineligible to
13 register his or her license and may submit an appeal to the
14 State Superintendent of Education for reinstatement of the
15 license.

16 (9) If professional development opportunities were
17 unavailable to a licensee, proof that opportunities were
18 unavailable and request for an extension of time beyond
19 August 31 to complete the renewal requirements may be
20 submitted from April 1 through June 30 of that year to the
21 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. If an
22 extension is approved, the license shall remain valid
23 during the extension period.

24 (10) Individuals who hold exempt licenses prior to the
25 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General
26 Assembly shall commence the annual renewal process with the

1 first scheduled registration due after the effective date
2 of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly.

3 (f) At the time of renewal, each licensee shall respond to
4 the required questions under penalty of perjury.

5 (g) The following entities shall be designated as approved
6 to provide professional development activities for the renewal
7 of Professional Educator Licenses:

8 (1) The State Board of Education.

9 (2) Regional offices of education and intermediate
10 service centers.

11 (3) Illinois professional associations representing
12 the following groups that are approved by the State
13 Superintendent of Education:

14 (A) school administrators;

15 (B) principals;

16 (C) school business officials;

17 (D) teachers, including special education
18 teachers;

19 (E) school boards;

20 (F) school districts;

21 (G) parents; and

22 (H) school service personnel.

23 (4) Regionally accredited institutions of higher
24 education that offer Illinois-approved educator
25 preparation programs and public community colleges subject
26 to the Public Community College Act.

1 (5) Illinois public school districts, charter schools
2 authorized under Article 27A of this Code, and joint
3 educational programs authorized under Article 10 of this
4 Code for the purposes of providing career and technical
5 education or special education services.

6 (6) A not-for-profit organization that, as of the
7 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General
8 Assembly, has had or has a grant from or a contract with
9 the State Board of Education to provide professional
10 development services in the area of English ~~Language~~
11 Learning to Illinois school districts, teachers, or
12 administrators.

13 (7) State agencies, State boards, and State
14 commissions.

15 (h) Approved providers under subsection (g) of this Section
16 shall make available professional development opportunities
17 that satisfy at least one of the following:

18 (1) increase the knowledge and skills of school and
19 district leaders who guide continuous professional
20 development;

21 (2) improve the learning of students;

22 (3) organize adults into learning communities whose
23 goals are aligned with those of the school and district;

24 (4) deepen educator's content knowledge;

25 (5) provide educators with research-based
26 instructional strategies to assist students in meeting

1 rigorous academic standards;

2 (6) prepare educators to appropriately use various
3 types of classroom assessments;

4 (7) use learning strategies appropriate to the
5 intended goals;

6 (8) provide educators with the knowledge and skills to
7 collaborate; or

8 (9) prepare educators to apply research to
9 decision-making.

10 (i) Approved providers under subsection (g) of this Section
11 shall do the following:

12 (1) align professional development activities to the
13 State-approved national standards for professional
14 learning;

15 (2) meet the professional development criteria for
16 Illinois licensure renewal;

17 (3) produce a rationale for the activity that explains
18 how it aligns to State standards and identify the
19 assessment for determining the expected impact on student
20 learning or school improvement;

21 (4) maintain original documentation for completion of
22 activities; and

23 (5) provide license holders with evidence of
24 completion of activities.

25 (j) The State Board of Education shall conduct annual
26 audits of approved providers, except for school districts,

1 which shall be audited by regional offices of education and
2 intermediate service centers. The State Board of Education
3 shall complete random audits of licensees.

4 (1) Approved providers shall annually submit to the
5 State Board of Education a list of subcontractors used for
6 delivery of professional development activities for which
7 renewal credit was issued and other information as defined
8 by rule.

9 (2) Approved providers shall annually submit data to
10 the State Board of Education demonstrating how the
11 professional development activities impacted one or more
12 of the following:

13 (A) educator and student growth in regards to
14 content knowledge or skills, or both;

15 (B) educator and student social and emotional
16 growth; or

17 (C) alignment to district or school improvement
18 plans.

19 (3) The State Superintendent of Education shall review
20 the annual data collected by the State Board of Education,
21 regional offices of education, and intermediate service
22 centers in audits to determine if the approved provider has
23 met the criteria and should continue to be an approved
24 provider or if further action should be taken as provided
25 in rules.

26 (k) Registration fees shall be paid for the next renewal

1 cycle between April 1 and June 30 in the last year of each
2 5-year renewal cycle using ELIS. If all required professional
3 development hours for the renewal cycle have been completed and
4 entered by the licensee, the licensee shall pay the
5 registration fees for the next cycle using a form of credit or
6 debit card.

7 (l) Beginning July 1, 2014, any professional educator
8 licensee endorsed for school support personnel who is employed
9 and performing services in Illinois public schools and who
10 holds an active and current professional license issued by the
11 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation related to
12 the endorsement areas on the Professional Educator License
13 shall be deemed to have satisfied the continuing professional
14 development requirements provided for in this Section. Such
15 individuals shall be required to pay only registration fees to
16 renew the Professional Educator License. An individual who does
17 not hold a license issued by the Department of Financial and
18 Professional Regulation shall complete professional
19 development requirements for the renewal of a Professional
20 Educator License provided for in this Section.

21 (m) Appeals to the State Educator Preparation and Licensure
22 Board must be made within 30 days after receipt of notice from
23 the State Superintendent of Education that a license will not
24 be renewed based upon failure to complete the requirements of
25 this Section. A licensee may appeal that decision to the State
26 Educator Preparation and Licensure Board in a manner prescribed

1 by rule.

2 (1) Each appeal shall state the reasons why the State
3 Superintendent's decision should be reversed and shall be
4 sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the
5 State Board of Education.

6 (2) The State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board
7 shall review each appeal regarding renewal of a license
8 within 90 days after receiving the appeal in order to
9 determine whether the licensee has met the requirements of
10 this Section. The State Educator Preparation and Licensure
11 Board may hold an appeal hearing or may make its
12 determination based upon the record of review, which shall
13 consist of the following:

14 (A) the regional superintendent of education's
15 rationale for recommending nonrenewal of the license,
16 if applicable;

17 (B) any evidence submitted to the State
18 Superintendent along with the individual's electronic
19 statement of assurance for renewal; and

20 (C) the State Superintendent's rationale for
21 nonrenewal of the license.

22 (3) The State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board
23 shall notify the licensee of its decision regarding license
24 renewal by certified mail, return receipt requested, no
25 later than 30 days after reaching a decision. Upon receipt
26 of notification of renewal, the licensee, using ELIS, shall

1 pay the applicable registration fee for the next cycle
2 using a form of credit or debit card.

3 (n) The State Board of Education may adopt rules as may be
4 necessary to implement this Section.

5 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 98-610, eff. 12-27-13;
6 98-1147, eff. 12-31-14.)

7 (105 ILCS 5/21B-50)

8 Sec. 21B-50. Alternative educator licensure program.

9 (a) There is established an alternative educator licensure
10 program, to be known as the Alternative Educator Licensure
11 Program for Teachers.

12 (b) Beginning on January 1, 2013, the Alternative Educator
13 Licensure Program for Teachers may be offered by a recognized
14 institution approved to offer educator preparation programs by
15 the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State
16 Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. ~~Any program offered
17 by a not for profit entity also must be approved by the Board
18 of Higher Education.~~

19 The program shall be comprised of 4 phases:

20 (1) A course of study that at a minimum includes
21 instructional planning; instructional strategies,
22 including special education, reading, and English language
23 learning; classroom management; and the assessment of
24 students and use of data to drive instruction.

25 (2) A year of residency, which is a candidate's

1 assignment to a full-time teaching position or as a
2 co-teacher for one full school year. An individual must
3 hold an Educator License with Stipulations with an
4 alternative provisional educator endorsement in order to
5 enter the residency and must complete additional program
6 requirements that address required State and national
7 standards, pass the assessment of professional teaching
8 before entering the second residency year, as required
9 under phase (3) of this subsection (b), and be recommended
10 by the principal and program coordinator to continue with
11 the second year of the residency.

12 (3) A second year of residency, which shall include the
13 candidate's assignment to a full-time teaching position
14 for one school year. The candidate must be assigned an
15 experienced teacher to act as a mentor and coach the
16 candidate through the second year of residency.

17 (4) A comprehensive assessment of the candidate's
18 teaching effectiveness, as evaluated by the principal and
19 the program coordinator, at the end of the second year of
20 residency. If there is disagreement between the 2
21 evaluators about the candidate's teaching effectiveness,
22 the candidate may complete one additional year of residency
23 teaching under a professional development plan developed
24 by the principal and preparation program. At the completion
25 of the third year, a candidate must have positive
26 evaluations and a recommendation for full licensure from

1 both the principal and the program coordinator or no
2 Professional Educator License shall be issued.

3 Successful completion of the program shall be deemed to
4 satisfy any other practice or student teaching and content
5 matter requirements established by law.

6 (c) An alternative provisional educator endorsement on an
7 Educator License with Stipulations is valid for 2 years of
8 teaching in the public schools, including without limitation a
9 charter school, or in a State-recognized nonpublic school in
10 which the chief administrator is required to have the licensure
11 necessary to be a principal in a public school in this State
12 and in which a majority of the teachers are required to have
13 the licensure necessary to be instructors in a public school in
14 this State, but may be renewed for a third year if needed to
15 complete the Alternative Educator Licensure Program for
16 Teachers. The endorsement shall be issued only once to an
17 individual who meets all of the following requirements:

18 (1) Has graduated from a regionally accredited college
19 or university with a bachelor's degree or higher.

20 (2) Has a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or
21 greater on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent on another scale.

22 (3) Has completed a major in the content area if
23 seeking a middle or secondary level endorsement or, if
24 seeking an early childhood, elementary, or special
25 education endorsement, has completed a major in the content
26 area of reading, English/language arts, mathematics, or

1 one of the sciences. If the individual does not have a
2 major in a content area for any level of teaching, he or
3 she must submit transcripts to the State Superintendent of
4 Education to be reviewed for equivalency.

5 (4) Has successfully completed phase (1) of subsection
6 (b) of this Section.

7 (5) Has passed a test of basic skills and content area
8 test required for the specific endorsement for admission
9 into the program, as required under Section 21B-30 of this
10 Code.

11 A candidate possessing the alternative provisional
12 educator endorsement may receive a salary, benefits, and any
13 other terms of employment offered to teachers in the school who
14 are members of an exclusive bargaining representative, if any,
15 but a school is not required to provide these benefits during
16 the years of residency if the candidate is serving only as a
17 co-teacher. If the candidate is serving as the teacher of
18 record, the candidate must receive a salary, benefits, and any
19 other terms of employment. Residency experiences must not be
20 counted towards tenure.

21 (d) The recognized institution offering the Alternative
22 Educator Licensure Program for Teachers must partner with a
23 school district, including without limitation a charter
24 school, or a State-recognized, nonpublic school in this State
25 in which the chief administrator is required to have the
26 licensure necessary to be a principal in a public school in

1 this State and in which a majority of the teachers are required
2 to have the licensure necessary to be instructors in a public
3 school in this State. The program presented for approval by the
4 State Board of Education must demonstrate the supports that are
5 to be provided to assist the provisional teacher during the
6 2-year residency period. These supports must provide
7 additional contact hours with mentors during the first year of
8 residency.

9 (e) Upon completion of the 4 phases outlined in subsection
10 (b) of this Section and all assessments required under Section
11 21B-30 of this Code, an individual shall receive a Professional
12 Educator License.

13 (f) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
14 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may adopt such
15 rules as may be necessary to establish and implement the
16 Alternative Educator Licensure Program for Teachers.

17 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; 97-702, eff. 6-25-12.)

18 (105 ILCS 5/21B-60)

19 Sec. 21B-60. Principal preparation programs.

20 (a) It is the policy of this State that an essential
21 element of improving student learning is supporting and
22 employing highly effective school principals in leadership
23 roles who improve teaching and learning and increase academic
24 achievement and the development of all students.

25 (b) No later than September 1, 2014, recognized

1 institutions approved by the State Board of Education, in
2 consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure
3 Board, to offer principal preparation programs must do all of
4 the following:

5 (1) Meet the standards and requirements for such
6 programs in accordance with this Section and any rules
7 adopted by the State Board of Education, in consultation
8 with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

9 (2) Prepare candidates to meet required standards for
10 principal skills, knowledge, and responsibilities, which
11 shall include a focus on instruction and student learning
12 and which must be used for principal professional
13 development, mentoring, and evaluation.

14 (3) Include specific requirements for (i) the
15 selection and assessment of candidates, (ii) training in
16 the evaluation of staff, (iii) an internship, and (iv) a
17 partnership with one or more school districts or
18 State-recognized, nonpublic schools in which the chief
19 administrator is required to have the licensure necessary
20 to be a principal in a public school in this State and in
21 which a majority of the teachers are required to have the
22 licensure necessary to be instructors in a public school in
23 this State.

24 ~~Any principal preparation program offered in whole or in~~
25 ~~part by a not for profit entity must also be approved by the~~
26 ~~Board of Higher Education.~~

1 (c) Candidates successfully completing a principal
2 preparation program established pursuant to this Section shall
3 obtain a principal endorsement on a Professional Educator
4 License and are eligible to work as a principal or an assistant
5 principal or in related or similar positions, as determined by
6 the State Superintendent of Education, in consultation with the
7 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

8 (d) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
9 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may adopt such
10 rules as may be necessary to implement and administer principal
11 preparation programs under this Section.

12 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)

13 (105 ILCS 5/21B-80)

14 Sec. 21B-80. Conviction of certain offenses as grounds for
15 revocation of license.

16 (a) As used in this Section:

17 "Narcotics offense" means any one or more of the following
18 offenses:

19 (1) Any offense defined in the Cannabis Control Act,
20 except those defined in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section
21 4 and subdivision (a) of Section 5 of the Cannabis Control
22 Act and any offense for which the holder of a license is
23 placed on probation under the provisions of Section 10 of
24 the Cannabis Control Act, provided that if the terms and
25 conditions of probation required by the court are not

1 fulfilled, the offense is not eligible for this exception.

2 (2) Any offense defined in the Illinois Controlled
3 Substances Act, except any offense for which the holder of
4 a license is placed on probation under the provisions of
5 Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act,
6 provided that if the terms and conditions of probation
7 required by the court are not fulfilled, the offense is not
8 eligible for this exception.

9 (3) Any offense defined in the Methamphetamine Control
10 and Community Protection Act, except any offense for which
11 the holder of a license is placed on probation under the
12 provision of Section 70 of that Act, provided that if the
13 terms and conditions of probation required by the court are
14 not fulfilled, the offense is not eligible for this
15 exception.

16 (4) Any attempt to commit any of the offenses listed in
17 items (1) through (3) of this definition.

18 (5) Any offense committed or attempted in any other
19 state or against the laws of the United States that, if
20 committed or attempted in this State, would have been
21 punishable as one or more of the offenses listed in items
22 (1) through (4) of this definition.

23 The changes made by Public Act 96-431 to the definition of
24 "narcotics offense" are declaratory of existing law.

25 "Sex offense" means any one or more of the following
26 offenses:

1 (A) Any offense defined in Sections 11-6, 11-9 through
2 11-9.5, inclusive, and 11-30, of the Criminal Code of 1961
3 or the Criminal Code of 2012; Sections 11-14 through 11-21,
4 inclusive, of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal
5 Code of 2012; Sections 11-23 (if punished as a Class 3
6 felony), 11-24, 11-25, and 11-26 of the Criminal Code of
7 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012; and Sections 11-1.20,
8 11-1.30, 11-1.40, 11-1.50, 11-1.60, 12-4.9, 12-13, 12-14,
9 12-14.1, 12-15, 12-16, 12-32, 12-33, ~~and 12C-45,~~ and 26-4
10 (if punished pursuant to subdivision (4) or (5) of
11 subsection (d) of Section 26-4) of the Criminal Code of
12 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012.

13 (B) Any attempt to commit any of the offenses listed in
14 item (A) of this definition.

15 (C) Any offense committed or attempted in any other
16 state that, if committed or attempted in this State, would
17 have been punishable as one or more of the offenses listed
18 in items (A) and (B) of this definition.

19 (b) Whenever the holder of any license issued pursuant to
20 this Article has been convicted of any sex offense or narcotics
21 offense, the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith
22 suspend the license. If the conviction is reversed and the
23 holder is acquitted of the offense in a new trial or the
24 charges against him or her are dismissed, the State
25 Superintendent of Education shall forthwith terminate the
26 suspension of the license. When the conviction becomes final,

1 the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith revoke
2 the license.

3 (c) Whenever the holder of a license issued pursuant to
4 this Article has been convicted of attempting to commit,
5 conspiring to commit, soliciting, or committing first degree
6 murder or a Class X felony or any offense committed or
7 attempted in any other state or against the laws of the United
8 States that, if committed or attempted in this State, would
9 have been punishable as one or more of the foregoing offenses,
10 the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith suspend
11 the license. If the conviction is reversed and the holder is
12 acquitted of that offense in a new trial or the charges that he
13 or she committed that offense are dismissed, the State
14 Superintendent of Education shall forthwith terminate the
15 suspension of the license. When the conviction becomes final,
16 the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith revoke
17 the license.

18 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11; incorporates 96-1551, eff.
19 7-1-11; 97-1109, eff. 1-1-13; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.)

20 (105 ILCS 5/27-9) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-9)

21 Sec. 27-9. Training teachers to teach physical education.
22 The curriculum in all elementary educator preparation programs
23 approved by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board
24 ~~State universities~~ shall contain instruction ~~courses~~ in
25 methods and materials of physical education and training for

1 teachers. No teacher candidate ~~student or elementary school~~
2 ~~teacher~~ shall be graduated from such an educator preparation
3 program ~~a university~~ who has not successfully completed
4 instruction ~~had a minimum of 1 course~~ in methods and materials
5 in the teaching of physical education and training, whether by
6 way of a specific course or as incorporated in existing courses
7 taught in the educator preparation program.

8 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 31.)

9 (105 ILCS 5/27-17) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-17)

10 Sec. 27-17. Safety education. School boards of public
11 schools and all boards in charge of educational institutions
12 supported wholly or partially by the State may provide
13 instruction in safety education in all grades and include such
14 instruction in the courses of study regularly taught therein.

15 In this section "safety education" means and includes
16 instruction in the following:

17 1. automobile safety, including traffic regulations,
18 highway safety, and the consequences of alcohol
19 consumption and the operation of a motor vehicle;

20 2. safety in the home;

21 3. safety in connection with recreational activities;

22 4. safety in and around school buildings;

23 5. safety in connection with vocational work or
24 training;

25 6. cardio-pulmonary resuscitation for students

1 enrolled in grades 9 through 11; and

2 7. for students enrolled in grades 6 through 8,
3 cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and how to use an automated
4 external defibrillator by watching a training video on
5 those subjects.

6 Such boards may make suitable provisions in the schools and
7 institutions under their jurisdiction for instruction in
8 safety education for not less than 16 hours during each school
9 year.

10 The curriculum in all educator preparation programs
11 approved by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board
12 ~~State universities~~ shall contain instruction in safety
13 education for teachers that is appropriate to the grade level
14 of the educator license ~~teaching certificate~~. This instruction
15 may be by specific courses in safety education or may be
16 incorporated in existing subjects taught in the educator
17 preparation program ~~university~~.

18 (Source: P.A. 96-734, eff. 8-25-09; 97-714, eff. 6-28-12.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
20 2015.